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1. The reply filed on October 10, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the reply refers to an election of species, and elects a 'species', although no requirement for the election of a species has been made. In this case, a restriction requirement **between independent inventions** has been made. It is not clear if applicant additionally desires to elect a species. If such is the case, a species election should include a listing of claims readable on the species, including any claims subsequently added. Further, in view of the claims specifically identified by the paper of 10/10/02, applicant's intentions for the treatments of the claims added in paper 13 (11/26/2002) are not clear in that they have not been identified as belonging to an identified group. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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